

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Matthew D. Putnam et al.
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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

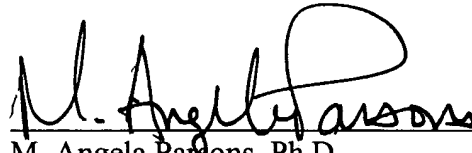
Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2006, be extended for three months to and including November 30, 2006.

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Respectfully submitted,

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